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**DECLARATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.132**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents


Washington, D.C. 20231

I, Thomas W. Stone, declare and state that:

1. I am a co-inventor of the above identified patent application and the inventor of U.S. Patent 6,585,382, "Optical systems using switched mirrors" (the '382 patent).

2. The relevant, if any, inventions of the above referenced patent, the '382 patent, that relate to claimed inventions in "VARIABLE OPTICAL ATTENUATOR SYSTEMS" originated from me, Thomas W. Stone, one of the co-inventors of the above identified patent application and describe my work.

I even further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

  
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